

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the **PATENT APPLICATION** of:

Hermann Grether

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For: COMPONENT INCORPORATED IN A  
PLUMBING SYSTEM

Group: 3752

Examiner: Darren W. Gorman

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**REPLY PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.111**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

This Reply is being filed in response to the Office Action dated April 10, 2008 and is submitted in conjunction with an appropriate petition for extension of time.

Please amend the application without prejudice or disclaimer as follows: